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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

10 CFR Part 70

Public Meeting on Part 70 Rulemaking Activities

AGENCY: Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC).

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: NRC will host a public meeting in Rockville, Maryland with representatives of the Nuclear Energy Institute (NEI) to discuss the NRC staff's proposed revisions to 10 CFR part 70, "Domestic Licensing of Special Nuclear Material."

NRC staff and NEI representatives briefed the Commission on August 25, 1998, regarding SECY-98-185, "Proposed Rulemaking—Revised Requirements for the Domestic Licensing of Special Nuclear Material," dated July 30, 1998. Although both NRC staff and NEI are in agreement that part 70 should be amended to require the performance of an integrated safety analysis (ISA), disagreements about the details of that proposed requirement were identified at the Commission meeting. At a subsequent public meeting on September 29, 1998, NRC staff and industry representatives discussed some of the issues, but agreed that an additional meeting was needed.

DATES: The meeting is scheduled for December 3-4, 1998, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. The meeting is open to the public. Persons with administrative questions concerning this meeting should contact James Hennigan at (301) 415-6850.

ADDRESSES: NRC's Auditorium at Two White Flint North, 11545 Rockville Pike, Rockville, Maryland. Visitor parking around the NRC building is limited; however, the meeting site is located adjacent to the White Flint Station on the Metro Red Line.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Theodore S. Sherr, Office of Nuclear Material Safety and Safeguards, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission,

Washington, DC 20555, telephone: (301) 415-7218, e-mail: tss@nrc.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Purpose: The purpose of this meeting is for NRC to consider industry's suggestions for specific changes to the language in the SECY-98-185 draft amendment to 10 CFR part 70, and the associated draft standard review plan (SRP). Topics to be addressed are: (1) Next steps in the revision of 10 CFR part 70; (2) chemical safety requirements; (3) SRP issues; (4) criticality safety in relation to risk-informed regulations; (5) the content of the ISA summary; (6) the role of the preliminary ISA in the regulatory process; and (7) other issues identified.

Additional information is available on the NRC technical conferences website through the NRC home page (<http://www.nrc.gov>). This information includes: (1) The NRC staff recommendations sent to the Commission for consideration (SECY-98-185); (2) a transcript of the August 25, 1998, briefing to the Commission; and, (3) a transcript of a September 29, 1998, public meeting between NRC staff and NEI. On the NRC home page select "Rulemaking" from the tool bar. The Technical Conference Forum home page can then be accessed by selecting "Technical Conferences". Again select "Technical Conferences," and then "Revised Requirements for the Domestic Licensing of Special Nuclear Material (Part 70)." Alternatively, you may direct your browser to go directly to <http://techconf.LLNL.gov/cgi-bin/topics>. For information about the technical conferences website, contact Ms. Carol Gallagher, (301) 415-8149; e-mail cag@nrc.gov.

Dated at Rockville, Maryland this 16th day of November, 1998.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

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Director, Division of Fuel Cycle Safety and Safeguards.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Highway Administration

23 CFR Part 658

[FHWA Docket No. FHWA-98-4326]

RIN 2125-AE43

Truck Size and Weight; Definitions; Nondivisible

AGENCY: Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), DOT.

ACTION: Notice of proposed rulemaking (NPRM); request for comments.

SUMMARY: The FHWA proposes to modify its definition of nondivisible load or vehicle to include marked military vehicles. This will allow, but not require, States to issue overweight permits for such vehicles to operate on the Interstate System.

DATES: Comments on this docket must be received on or before January 19, 1999.

ADDRESSES: Signed, written comments should refer to the docket number that appears at the top of this document and must be submitted to the Docket Clerk, U.S. DOT Dockets, Room PL-401, 400 Seventh Street, SW, Washington, DC 20590-0001. All comments received will be available for examination at the above address between 10 a.m. and 5 p.m., e.t., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays. Those desiring notification of receipt of comments must include a self-addressed, stamped envelope or postcard.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Thomas Klimek, Office of Motor Carrier Information Management and Analysis (202) 366-2212, or Mr. Charles Medalen, Office of the Chief Counsel (202) 366-1354, Federal Highway Administration, 400 Seventh Street, SW., Washington, DC 20590. Office hours are from 7:45 a.m. to 4:15 p.m., e.t., Monday through Friday, except legal Federal holidays.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Electronic Access

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